TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 374 - HB 404

February 26, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class A misdemeanor offense for sale of powdered or crystalline alcohol. Defines powdered or crystalline alcohol as a product that is manufactured into a powdered or crystalline form and that contains any amount of alcohol. Establishes that the sale prohibition does not apply to: any substance regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration that is not either beer or intoxicating liquor, or a compound that could be converted into beer or intoxicating liquor; a medication that requires a prescription; or an overthe-counter medication.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Currently, powdered or crystalline alcohol is not approved by the United States Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, prohibiting it from being sold in the states.
- There will not be a sufficient number of Class A misdemeanor prosecutions for this crime for state or local governments to experience any significant change revenue or expenditures.
- Any amount of foregone state and local tax revenue will be not significant as consumers
 that would purchase powdered or crystalline alcohol under current state law will buy
 alcohol in other forms under the provisions of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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